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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Applicant hereby petitions pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a two month extension of time for response to the outstanding Official Action mailed July 11, 2003. The period for response was previously set to elapse October 11, 2003, and is accordingly hereby extended to December 11, 2003, which is still within the six-month statutory period for response (35 U.S.C. § 133) which elapses January 11, 2004. The reason for this petition is as follows:

- A response to the outstanding Official Action is being filed herewith.
- It is expected that a response to the outstanding Official Action will be filed within the extended period for response.
- A Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals (37

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